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chusetts, and discharged the duties of that office with great ability. He declined a re-election, however, and again assumed the office of Attorney-General, by the appointment of Governor Washburn, and afterwards by the election, successively, of the Legislature and of the people. In 1862, he re-entered the Senate of Massachusetts, and was President of that body. In 1867, he accepted the position of President of the Boston and Providence Railroad Company, and devoted himself mainly to business pursuits for the remainder of his life.

In 1874, the appointment of United States Minister to Russia was offered to him by President Grant, and afterwards that to Turkey; but he declined them both. He was for many years one of the Overseers of Harvard University, and President of that Board; and, as one of the Trustees of Mr. George Peabody's great Education Fund for the Southern States, he had become known far beyond the limits of his own State.

In 1875, he made a visit to Europe for the benefit of his own health and that of his family; but soon after his return home he was struck down by fatal illness, and died on the 2d of January, 1876, in the sixty-seventh year of his age.

Governor Clifford was a man of marked ability, and in every station which he held he exhibited peculiar capacity for public usefulness. Few men of our time have left their names on the records of Massachusetts more distinctly or more enviably. He was genial, warm-hearted, public-spirited, patriotic, and greatly endeared to his friends in all parts of the country. His death was the occasion of widespread sorrow, and his memory will long be cherished as that of a Christian gentleman, whose character and whole career had reflected the highest honor on New England.

HORATIO BALCH HACKETT.

HORATIO BALCH HACKETT died very suddenly in Rochester, N.Y., November 2, 1875. He was born in Salisbury, Mass., in the year 1808. He fitted for Amherst College at Phillips Academy, in Andover, where he distinguished himself as a scholar; and his oration, on leaving that institution, was of such marked merit, that it led one of the Trustees to offer to defray the expenses of his college course. He entered Amherst College in 1826, and was graduated with its highest honors in 1830. He completed the regular course of theological studies in Andover in 1834, after which he went to Germany, and studied for some time at Halle and Berlin. On his return, he spent one year as a

Tutor in Amherst College, and was then chosen Professor of Ancient Languages in Brown University, in Providence, R.I. After four years (1835-39), he was invited to fill the chair of Biblical Literature in the Newton Theological Institution. He occupied this position until 1869; and, after spending one year in the service of the American Bible Union, he accepted the appointment of Professor of Biblical Literature in the Rochester Theological Seminary, which position he occupied at the time of his death. He was also for several of the last years of his life a member of the American Committee for the revision of the English Scriptures.

In 1851-52, Dr. Hackett travelled in Italy, Egypt, Palestine, and other countries. In 1858-59, he resided several months in Athens, for the purpose of studying Modern Greek, as auxiliary to the interpretation of the New Testament.

As a scholar, he was both comprehensive and exact. As a teacher, he combined in rare union the minutest accuracy in details with the most fervid enthusiasm. His love of truth was intense, his devotion to sacred literature absorbing, his industry unsurpassed, and his mind remarkably free from theological and other prepossessions. His comprehensive and exact classical scholarship was coupled with an unusual mastery of pure, perspicuous, and picturesque English, and his modesty was equal to his learning.

His published works are an edition of Plutarch's "*De Sera Numinis Vindicta*," with notes, Andover, 1844, afterwards republished with additional notes, as the joint work of himself and Professor Tyler, of Amherst; a Translation of Winer's *Chaldee Grammar*, with additions, 1845; a *Hebrew Reader*, 1847; a *Commentary on the Book of Acts*, 1851, republished with considerable enlargement in 1858; *Illustrations of Scripture*, suggested by a *Tour through the Holy Land*, 1855, which has passed through several editions, and been reprinted in England and Scotland, and is his principal work; *Memorials of the War*, a volume comprising brief notices of Christian heroes who fell in the service of their country during the civil war; the *Epistle of Paul to Philemon*, a new Translation with notes for the American Bible Union; an American Edition of Smith's *Dictionary of the Bible*, with many additions and improvements, of which Dr. Ezra Abbot, of Cambridge, was a joint editor; and, lastly, many valuable articles contributed from time to time to the *Christian Review*, and the *Bibliotheca Sacra*.